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Docket No.: 42390.P8723

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Dyrga, et al.

Application No.: 09/608,773

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For: **RESILIENT CHASSIS-BASED
NETWORK SWITCHING**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments prior to consideration of the above captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.